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"COMMENTATOR"

THE editorial columns of some of our contemporaries (not the "Chronicles") strongly remind us of a much earlier period in Jewish history. What with Court Jews and *Shtadlanim* and with Eisenmenger's "Judaism unmasked," the 17th century has again become extremely topical. "We have the lessons of the ways used by our ancestors in order to soften the hearts of their enemies," says one paper. This is an interesting conditioned reflex: you cannot argue with a conditioned reflex, especially if it is several hundred years old. But one should at least try to explain it.

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IT is too easy perhaps to belittle the activities of the Court Jews and *Shtadlanim*. The great Court Jews, the Oppenheimers and Gumperts, the Liebmann's and Lehmanns were upright and honest and most of them were also courageous men. *Jud Suess*, much maligned by Feuchtwanger and a host of earlier biographers, was a great statesman and an independent character: like other Court Jews he was destroyed by the same forces which had brought him into being, in the conflict between the old feudal and patrimonial order and the new economic and political forces that were then emerging. The Knesset member who compared him with contemporary Court Jews in the East has done Suess a bitter injustice: *Jud Suess* was no "yes" man and no sycophant.

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THE Court Jews and *Shtadlanim* revealed a remarkable measure of solidarity with their people in times of emergency. When the Emperor decided to expel all Viennese Jews in 1670, Manuel Taxeira (one of whose descendants now represents Israel interests in Moscow) in far away Hamburg moved heaven and earth to save the community: he enlisted the help of the Queen of Sweden, several Cardinals and the Dowager Empress. Two generations later Maria Theresa banished all her Jewish subjects from the city of Prague and all Bohemia. A few days later a campaign to rescue the Jews got under way.

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WOLF Wertheimer, the leading Court Jew of his time, "assembled his forces like a general about to storm an enemy fortress," the historian reports. Drawing all threads together he managed to weave about the Queen a web which reached from Augsburg to England and from Denmark to Italy. He called upon all of them, Court Jews of archbishops and dukes, of electors and margraves; he appealed to their conscience and to their emotions, their sympathy and compassion: "Help for the Jews of Prague must come from without for a prisoner cannot free himself. Voices of wisdom, help and protection must be found: they must gird their loins like warriors". Couriers were dispatched to the Pope and Amsterdam: Moses Breslauer and Aron Franks, members of the London community, went to see the King of England who promised them aid so that "a whole nation [illegible] be destroyed". Hundreds and thousands of them [illegible], though only a small minority were directly or personally affected by the tragedy of the Prague Jews. In the end they succeeded and their efforts bore fruit: not a single one of them tried to defend Maria Theresa's actions or to explain that her edict was not directed against all Jews—though they could have done so like some of their descendants in 1938.

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COURT Jews and *Shtadlanim* did what they could to help, using the means most suitable in the 17th century. Political institutions, ideas and customs have developed since then, though not necessarily to their advantage: politically, large parts of the world have progressed towards a totalitarian State, morally to a new Ice Age. Our enemies have become our best friends and the Jews of Bohemia are so popular that not a single one will be allowed to leave. What then should we do to mollify our best friends? Operation Esther-Mordecai? This is Purim to be sure, but the idea is an old one, and has, moreover, been tried there, one gathers, without success.

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THE sense of humour of totalitarian man is much more limited than that of man in the age of Cervantes, Swift and Rabelais. He will not even realise how funny it is that some Jews are proposing to approach him as if he were Maria Theresa.

Jerusalem, March 1.

Fear 2 Million Jews In Russia Facing Exile

By RICHARD LOWENTHAL

MUNICH, Saturday. — Two million surviving Jews in Eastern Europe are now threatened by a policy of total deportation comparable to that of the Volga Germans during, and the Crimean Tartars after the Second World War. That is the conclusion to which I have been reluctantly driven by the study of a large number of reports from East European refugees collected here over the years by various exile organizations and lately collated, in particular by Radio Free Europe.

Reports show uncontrovertibly that the present anti-Jewish purges and propaganda outbursts in Russia and the People's Democracies are only the visible part of the ceberg. In fact, the policy of eliminating and deporting unreliable Jewish elements from Russia's western border regions and key administrative and industrial centres has been going on quietly but on a steadily increasing scale since 1950. It has been motivated not by a desire to play on the anti-Semitic popular instincts or to use them in foreign propaganda but the Kremlin's conviction that Jews in general by their cohesion as a group and their sympathies for Israel constitute a "security risk."

Policy Made Public

The decision to bring the policy into the open was apparently taken only last November after the outcome of the American presidential election had made Russian war fears more acute. The investigation against the Kremlin doctors, for instance, is reliably reported to have been started then, simultaneously with an order to stage the Slansky trial in the particular form which it took. One purpose of the publication of this policy has evidently been to enforce its extension to satellite countries where it has not so far been practised.

Since then the first preparatory steps — the elimination of Jews from key positions in security services — have been taken throughout the area. In Russia Jews were banned from the Signals Corp, the Navy and Air Force on security grounds as early as 1950. Deportations of Jews from Ukrainian cities for minor misdemeanours began at the same time and gradually spread to other centres such as Baku and Moscow. Typical charges were black marketeering, nepotism (for instance in Moscow's governmental employment agency), the signing of forged certificates by Jewish doctors to get people sick leave, etc.

The total of such penal deportations during 1950 and 1951 to the Jewish Autonomous Region of Birobidjan alone are estimated at 30,000. Since 1952 large-scale administrative deportations

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Jews of 38 States To Meet in Zurich

NEW YORK, Saturday (UP). — Representatives of 7,500,000 Jews in 38 countries will meet in Zurich on March 10 to evaluate the situation of 2,500,000 Jews in the Soviet Union and satellite lands and to plan measures to alleviate their plight, the Jewish Agency announced here today.

The announcement said the Agency's Chairman, Mr. Nahum Goldmann, will fly to Zurich from Israel. Acting Chairman Mrs. Rose Halprin left for Zurich today aboard the liner America.

A joint meeting of executive leaders of the 65-nation World Jewish Congress yesterday talked in private in London for seven hours on reported anti-Semitism in Russia and Eastern Europe.

Dr. Maurice Perlzweig, Congress Political Director in New York, afterwards said, "We are anxious not to exacerbate the situation and we are loath to believe that the states of the Soviet Bloc have said the last word on the subject."

Jewry Alarmed

The Zurich conference was convened "as a result of world Jewry's alarm for the security of Jews in iron curtain lands in view of the current campaign of vilification and slander against the Jewish people, the State of Israel and the Zionist movement conducted by the officially controlled press and radio of the USSSR and its allies and the dubious proceedings in their courts," the Agency said. It will also consider the threat to Israel implicit in the Soviet anti-Semitic campaign and its portent for Jews and other peace and freedom-loving peoples throughout the world.

Invitations to the conference have already been accepted by Jewish communities and organizations in 20 countries and further acceptances are being registered daily. The 20 countries are Algeria, Argentina, Austria, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Cuba, France, Britain, Holland, Italy, Luxembourg, Morocco, Norway, Portugal, Rhodesia, Switzerland, Tunisia, the U.S. and Yugoslavia.

Basis of U.S.-Israel Relations 'Firm'

WASHINGTON, Saturday. — Israel Ambassador Abba Eban voiced his confidence yesterday that U.S.-Israel relations are "on a firm foundation." He volunteered that belief in commenting on the 45-minute talk he had with Secretary of State John Foster Dulles.

Mr. Eban told reporters his discussion with Mr. Dulles has been a "general review of American-Israel relations and the position of the Near East as we saw it." He added that he found Dulles "very well versed" in the affairs of the Middle East and concerned with prospects of peace and stability in that area.

He said his own "main objective" was to outline the need for securing a settlement of the dispute between Israel and the Arab states that now blocks Western attempts to bind the area into a unified defence system.

In a recent news conference, as in a note to the State Department Mr. Eban called attention to the Soviet Union's break in diplomatic relations with Tel Aviv, which had been caused, he said, by Israel's standing by the democracies in defence of freedom.

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Testimony on V.O.A. Hebrew Programme

NEW YORK, Saturday (UP). — Two witnesses charged the State Department today with ordering suspension of the Voice of America Hebrew language programme "at a time when they were most needed."

The witnesses, officials of the VOA operations here, testified at a hearing of Senator Joseph McCarthy's permanent investigating sub-committee which is seeking evidence of "mismanagement and subversion" in the State Department counter-propaganda agency.

Mr. Gerald Dooher, acting chief of the Near East, South Asian and African division of VOA, and Dr. Sidney Glazer, chief of the Hebrew service, told the Committee that within ten days of the Prague trial the State Department ordered the VOA to suspend all Hebrew counter-propaganda broadcasts. Dr. Glazer said that the State Department had opposed the strategy of broadcasting American horror at the sentencing of Jews to death in the Prague trial.

Eliashiv Back, Denies 'Guardian' Interview

LYDDA AIRPORT, Saturday (ITIM).—Dr. Shmuel Eliashiv, Israel's former Minister to Moscow, returned yesterday with Mrs. Eliashiv. He said in an Airport interview that he had been inaccurately quoted when he was reported in the British "Manchester Guardian" as having said that there was a dividing line between Soviet anti-Zionism and anti-Semitism. The other members of the Legation staff are expected within a few days.

By coincidence, the same evening that news of the bombing of the Soviet Legation reached them the Legation entertained foreign diplomats that night to bid farewell to a member of the staff who was leaving Russia. "We had no idea that it was a farewell party for all of us," Mr. Elyashiv smiled.

Soviets Ignore Party

Many of the guests heard about the Tel Aviv bombing only at the party, the Minister said. No Soviet officials came to the party, "and this appeared to be very suspicious," he added.

The first announcement on the Moscow Radio came 24 hours later, and after a quarter of an hour Dr. Eliashiv received a telephone message asking him to call at the Foreign Ministry. Present there were Foreign Minister Andrei Vyshinsky and the head of the Middle East Department of the Foreign Ministry.

When he returned to the legation, he found in place of the usual lone police guard a large force of policemen and officers who had surrounded the building. From the moment of the rupture, the police ceased saluting the Israel Minister.

The legation staff received notice of their departure five hours before the train was scheduled to leave. They had no time to pack their belongings and ship them as freight. The Soviets gave them permission to take their baggage in the luxurious railway coach, which was contrary to practice in the Soviet Union.

Dr. Eliashiv was full of praise for the staff of the Dutch Embassy in Moscow who undertook to represent Israel in the U.S.S.R.

Dr. and Mrs. Eliashiv were met at the airport by the Deputy Director General of the Foreign Ministry, Mr. Arieh Levavi, and the Director of the East European Division, Mr. S. Ben Zur.

Balkan Three Sign Friendship And Security Pact

ATHENS, Saturday (Reuter). — Greece, Turkey and Yugoslavia signed a treaty of "friendship and cooperation" in Ankara today expressing their determination to defend their freedom and solve security problems jointly.

In the preamble the signatories stress their faith in the principles set out in the U.N. Charter as essential to a policy of peace to which the three nations, covering an area from the Adriatic to the Caucasus, and numbering 42 million persons, will remain faithful.

The ten articles of the treaty are:—

1. The three Foreign Ministers will meet at least once a year to coordinate their policies;

2. The signatories will continue their efforts to secure peace in the area and will jointly examine defence problems, including defence measures which may be required in the event of unprovoked attack against them;

3. The General Staffs will continue to cooperate with the view to submitting their governments' proposals on joint defence problems so that coordinated decisions may be made;

4. The three countries will develop their economic and cultural relations and eventually sign specific agreements covering them;

5. They will solve peacefully, in a spirit of understanding and friendship, all differences arising between them and will not interfere in each other's affairs;

6. No party will participate in alliances or take action aimed against other parties to the present treaty;

7. The signatories state that no other international agreement in which they participate is opposed to the present treaty; they will not in future enter into any treaty opposing the present one;

8. The present treaty does not affect the rights and obligations of Greece and Turkey deriving from the North Atlantic Treaty;

9. Any other state whose cooperation may be judged useful to the present signatories may join the treaty under the same terms and with equal rights;

10. Final ratification of the treaty will be deposited in Belgrade with the Secretariat of the Yugoslav Republic.

The treaty is valid for five years and can be terminated after that period subject to one year's notice.

Later today, Greece and Yugoslavia signed an agreement for economic collaboration and commercial exchanges. Exports on either side to an estimated value of $9m. are provided for under the agreement, which covers twelve months. Yugoslavia will send cattle, foodstuffs, wood, chemical products and machinery, while Greece will export tobacco, dried fruit, olive oil, resin, turpentine, raw cotton, nets, rice and minerals.

Death of Professor E.L. Sukenik, Veteran Archaeologist, at 64

We regret to announce the death of Eliezer Lippa Sukenik, veteran Professor of the Hebrew University and noted archaeologist, who passed away in his home in Jerusalem yesterday morning after a long illness. He was 64. The funeral will leave his house, 47 Rehov Ramban, Jerusalem, at 1 p.m. today.

Professor Sukenik was a pioneer among Jews in archaeology of this country, and was associated with many excavations. His important research work on the 2000 year old scrolls found in 1947 in a Jericho cave, was the crowning achievement of his life.

Eliezer Sukenik was born in Bialistock, in 1889, where he received a traditional education in a Yeshiva and later at a Rabbinical college. He came to the country at the age of 23 and entered the Teachers' Seminary in Jerusalem. He was among the country's volunteers for the Jewish Legion in World War I, and later taught school, until 1922, becoming then secretary of the Education Department of the Zionist Organization. He rounded out his archaeological studies at the Dominican Biblical Seminary in Jerusalem, at Berlin University, and at Dropsie College, Philadelphia, where he received his Doctorate in 1926.

Appointed Lecturer

With the establishment of the Hebrew University, in 1925, Dr. Sukenik joined the staff of the Faculty of Judaica. He was appointed Lecturer of Palestinian Archaeology in 1935, becoming Professor in 1938; in the previous year, he became Director of the Museum of Jewish Antiquities of the Hebrew University, a post he held until his death.

Among Prof. Sukenik's many and lasting archaeological contributions are his uncovering of the Third Wall of ancient Jerusalem; excavation of the ancient Synagogue at Beth Alpha and other synagogues throughout the country; at Hammath-Gadera, Affula, Tel Garisha (Napoleon's Hill), Samaria and other places. He was the author of numerous books and monographs dealing with the archaeology of the country, among the more important of which are "The Historical Synagogue in Beth Alpha," "Ancient Palestine and Greece," "The Buildings of Samaria" and "Ancient Scrolls."

His researches on the Dead Sea Scrolls aroused world-wide interest and no little controversy, the keenest disputation caused by Professor Solomon Zeitlin, of Dropsie College, who has dated the Scrolls about a thousand years later than their champion. But in any case, it was thanks to the efforts of Prof. Sukenik that four of the 11 scrolls were acquired by the Hebrew University.

Prof. Sukenik was a Fellow of the American School of Oriental Research, and the only Jewish member of the Board of Directors of the Palestine (Rockefeller) Archaeological Museum outside Herod's Gate, in the Old City.

He is survived by his wife and two sons: Rav-Aluf Yigael Yadin, former Chief of Staff, and Yosef Yadin, a leading member of the Chamber Theatre. A third son, Mattyahu, was killed in the War of Liberation while serving as a pilot.

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Ike Calls Top-Level Defence Conference

AUGUSTA, Saturday (UP). — President Eisenhower disclosed plans today to bring together at a White House conference on Tuesday General James Van Fleet, returning commander of the 8th Army in Korea, the Joint Chiefs of Staff and General George Marshall, former Secretary of Defence.

The group will meet for lunch, the President's vacation H.Q. announced here, and will also include Secretary of Defence Charles Wilson and other top Pentagon officials.

On Monday the Chief Executive will confer with Mr. Lewis Strauss, former member of the Atomic Energy Commission.

Bidault Insists On EDC Amendments

ROME, Saturday (UP). — French Foreign Minister Georges Bidault declared today that France would not ratify the European Army pact until the question of the additional protocol it had requested is settled. At his final press conference before leaving here for Paris M. Bidault firmly denied published reports that France had withdrawn its proposed amendments to the E.D.C. pact.

But in Bonn, Chancellor Konrad Adenauer today said the E.D.C. treaty must be ratified in its present form, and there could be no question of drafting amendments to the treaty itself. He said the protocols desired by the French would be no more than explanatory and would not need parliamentary ratification after they had been redrafted in the Interim Committee of European Army countries.

Herr Adenauer told reporters he had received press reports that M. Bidault before leaving Rome today had said the treaty must be revised before it could be ratified. "I can only suppose M. Bidault has been badly translated or misunderstood," the German Chancellor said. "There was no word of this in our negotiations."

At his press conference M. Bidault repeated that France and her five partners to the pact were working out the best texts for the proposed changes in order to meet French concern about its commitments overseas.

He said he disagreed with the figures of Soviet strength given by West German Chancellor Adenauer and added that France did not believe there was any imminent danger.

M. Bidault said during his stay her that he had raised the question of the two Finaly war orphans with the Vatican. The two Jewish war orphans, who were hidden in a French Catholic convent and then baptized into the Church in 1948, were "kidnapped" and smuggled into Spain this month when relatives in Israel claimed them.

HOUSE PASSES IKE'S RESOLUTION ON USSR

WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuter).—The House Foreign Affairs Committee yesterday unanimously approved without change President Eisenhower's resolution condemning Soviet subjugation of free peoples through violation of war-time agreements.

The resolution will probably be considered by the House next week.

Iran Riots as Shah Reveals, Retracts Decision to Leave

Mob Attacks Mossadegh's Home

TEHERAN, Saturday (Reuter). — Troops opened fire and used bayonets on screaming pro-Shah demonstrators here tonight as they milled around Prime Minister Mossadegh's home. One person was killed and 14, including an army colonel, injured.

The crowd converged on the house after it had been sealed off by Sherman tanks and armed guards, demanding that he should "apologize" to the Shah.

The bloodshed came after a day of tension following the 33-year-old Shah's announcement that he would leave the country and his later statement that he had changed his mind.

The police opened fire twice during the day. Earlier three people were injured when police fired on a crowd outside the Premier's house as a jeep rammed through a police and military cordon. Supporters of Ayatullah Kashani, leader of a fanatical religious sect and speaker of the Majlis (Lower House) manned the jeep, which broke the main gate.

With the crowds still roaming the streets, Teheran Radio announced that the curfew had been tightened and would begin at 11 p.m. (local time) instead of midnight.

Special Session

The Majlis was called in another special session tonight to discuss the Shah's action which brought seething crowds on to the street, many of them shouting "We don't want the Shah to leave."

Reports had swept the city that the Shah's proposed trip to Baghdad to visit holy shrines there for an "indefinite" period, was in fact abdication. Preparations had been made for the establishment of a three-man regency council of Mossadegh, Court Minister Hussein Ala and the Shah's younger brother.

After appeals from a deputation of Majlis and religious leaders, the Shah announced to cheering crowds outside the palace that he had decided to postpone his journey.

During the week the Premier had strongly protested in audience with the Shah against court "intrigues" which he alleged were endangering the regime in the midst of delicate oil negotiations with America and Britain. He also complained about the Shah's $7.5m. annual budge..

Counter-Attack Near, Chiang Tells Formosa

TAIPEH, Saturday. — General Chiang Kai-shek said here today "The moment of our counter-attack is drawing nearer and nearer."

In a statement issued on the eve of the third anniversary of his resumption of presidential duties he said: "The current year is the most important insofar as the making of anti-Communist and anti-Russian preparations is concerned."

Chiang said that when he resumed office three years ago the Nationalist Government had just been transferred to Formosa. The entire mainland had been lost and the nation shaken to its foundations. Also there was danger all round but, "thanks to the joint effort of our colleagues, both military and civilian, in the Government, Formosa now enjoys stability and progress and our nation as a whole has hopes of regeneration."

He called for a general mobilization of all able-bodied men on Formosa and announced that national guard reservists would be called to active duty for training starting next month. Chiang also ordered military training for college and high school students before autumn. He made no promise of an early invasion of the China mainland nor mentioned commando raids on the coast.

Vyshinsky Not Yet Ready To Speak on Korea

UNITED NATIONS, Saturday (Reuter).—Five countries, including two of the Communist group, today put their names down to speak in the resumed debate on Korea in the General Assembly's Political Committee, but the name of Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Vyshinsky is not among them.

The five are Czechoslovakia, Cuba, Belgium, Ecuador and Poland.

A spokesman of the American delegation said yesterday that the U.S. has no plans at this time to submit a resolution on Korea. He said the delegation was waiting to see whether Mr. Vyshinsky would answer, as he had promised to do, the challenge of the U.S. delegation which accused the U.S.S.R. of assisting the aggressor in Korea.

Bonn Signs Accord On External Debts

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). — West Germany yesterday signed agreements with the U.S., Britain, France and 15 other nations promising to repay loans totalling 13,730m. marks. It is the biggest external debt settlement in history and frees the Federal Republic from several trade handicaps.

Financial quarters here pointed out that West Germany had already been forging ahead in world trade although she had been shackled by bankruptcy. Now she may well advance rapidly towards recapturing her export markets.

In Britain, the treaty will adversely affect light and heavy engineering, motorcar manufacturers, chemicals, steel and all other lines in which Britain competes with Germany in the world market.

More than 400 m. marks a year of the external debt will fall on the German taxpayer but the 1953-4 budget had made full provision for this and was still able to cut income tax by 15 per cent.

NEW DUTCH ENVOY

THE HAGUE, Saturday (Reuter).—The present Netherlands Minister in Athens M. G. W. Boissevain is to be appointed Dutch envoy to Israel, it was officially announced here today.

MAC Finds Jordan Charge False

The charge that young "unarmed shepherds" were killed in Jordan territory by an Israel force on Thursday was found to be false by an Inquiry Committee of the Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission which visited the spot on Friday, an Army spokesman announced yesterday. The Committee, which included U.N. observers, found that the clash had taken place entirely within Israel in the Bet Guvrin area. Several Jordanians and one Israel soldier were killed in the engagement.

Jordan did not repeat this "imaginary" charge in its official complaint to the M.A.C., the spokesman said. The complaint limited itself to saying that "shots were fired from the Israel border into Jordan territory." The complaint neither mentioned "murdered children" nor the charge that an Israel unit entered Jordan.

Turning to another "imaginary" charge, the spokesman said that no clash took place near Falama village in the "Little Triangle" on Thursday night when Israelis were reportedly involved and consequently no Israel soldiers were killed. This charge was aired yesterday and Friday over the Jordan radio and in the press. "The 'story' from beginning to end is a lie," the spokesman said.

2 Said Killed

ANA reported yesterday that two Israel soldiers were killed in the Falama engagement and their bodies dragged across the lines by two other Israel soldiers who escaped unscathed.

ANA reports that Azmi Nashashibi, senior Jordan M.A.C. delegate, claimed that the bodies of the shepherds were mutilated. He admitted that one of the shepherds, who included a 60-year-old man and a 13-year-old girl, may have carried arms for self protection. He said the Israel soldiers had taken the flock of 177 sheep across the lines.

Commenting on Mr. Sharett's statement at Elath where he said the Arabs would think twice before waging war against a strong Israel order, Nashashibi said that although he doubts the truth of the statement, he could assure Mr. Sharett that the Arabs, if not having abandoned the idea of war, have at least abandoned the idea of peace with Israel following such barbaric acts.

"Falastin," the Old City daily, on Friday contradicted its story of the previous day in which it had admitted that the shepherds had crossed the lines into Israel by mistake. On Friday, it said they had been killed in Jordan territory and their bodies dragged across the lines.

Anwar Nuselbeh, Jordan Defence Minister, and Mr. J. Green, U.S. Minister to Amman, visited the Hebron Armistice Lines and Khirbet el Burj on Friday afternoon, it was said.

The Egyptian Minister and the Iraqi Charge d'Affaires to Amman visited the Armistice Lines in the Triangle and Falama village on Friday morning.

12 INFILTRATORS KILLED IN WEEK

Twelve infiltrators were killed and 28 were captured by Defence Forces and Police between February 19 and 26, an Army spokesman announced on Friday.

INT'L BANK HEAD IN AMMAN

Mr. Eugene Black, President of the International Bank, arrived in Amman yesterday from Syria, Radio Ramallah reported. He is to stay for several days to discuss various Jordan development plans needing foreign loans.

Hungary Offers British 'Spy' For Malay Girl Communist

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). —A Foreign Office spokesman confirmed today that the Hungarian Government had offered to exchange Edgar Sanders, British businessman jailed for alleged espionage in Budapest, for 25-year-old Lee Meng, Communist girl leader under sentence of death in Malaya.

He said the offer was made some weeks ago to Mr. Robert Hakkey, British Minister in Budapest, but that no decision had yet been taken.

Mr. Sanders' trial, condemned by the Foreign Office at the time for its "distortion and lies," led to the breaking of trade relations between Britain and Hungary.

Mr. Sanders, 45-year-old British businessman, was sentenced to 13 years' imprisonment in Budapest in 1950 on charges of espionage and sabotage.

Lee Meng, 25, was sentenced to death by the British and is awaiting execution at a Malaya prison. Her appeal against the death sentence was rejected.

12 LEBANESE JEWS CHARGED AS SPIES

A Beirut military court is soon to try 12 Lebanese Jews on charges of spying for Israel, the Arab News Agency reported. The men were arrested on Friday. Damascus Radio reported that about 30 Lebanese Jews have been recently arrested and detained.

Arab Funds Release Plan Effective Today

The scheme for the release of accounts held by Arab refugees in banks in Israel, notice of which was first given on December 4, 1952, goes into force today, a spokesman of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs announced yesterday.

Application forms will be available at local offices of UNRWA, and at branches of Barclays Bank, the Ottoman Bank and the agents of the last mentioned in Egypt, Jordan, Syria, Lebanon, Iraq and Cyprus, and will be received until May 31, 1953. Applications received after that date or on other than the prescribed forms will not be considered.

Applicants will be required to provide full evidence of identity. The sum to be released now, which will be exchanged at the rate of IL.1 to £1, is IL.1,000,000, and payments will be made at the rate of 50 pounds monthly for each account for which a valid claim has been established, until this sum has been paid out.

For the purpose of this operation, an Arab refugee is an individual who (a) was on November 29, 1947 a permanent resident of those parts of Palestine, which now form the territory of Israel and (b) left his place of habitual residence in the territory of Israel for a place outside the State of Israel before September 1, 1948.

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Social & Personal

The American Ambassador and Mrs. Monnett B. Davis spent last night at the American Colony in Old Jerusalem. They were accompanied by the Counsellor of the Embassy and his family, and are to return to Tel Aviv this afternoon.

Dr. Samuel Avenduno, Chilean Minister to Turkey and Israel, sailed for Ankara and will visit Israel in April. A farewell reception given for him last week by the Jewish Community of Valparaiso was attended by the Israel Minister, Mr. Ya'akov Tsur.

An extraordinary meeting of teachers, writers, doctors, and engineers, sponsored by the Teachers' Association to discuss the problem of "Jewish Unity in the Face of Hatred towards Israel," will take place in Habimah Hall, at 5 p.m. on Wednesday.

Mr. Harry Levy, owner of the Sharon Hotel, Herzlia, and Lydda Airport hotel and restaurant, was elected chairman of the Hotel Owners' Association at the annual meeting in Tel Aviv last week. He succeeds Mr. A. Braun of the Armon Hotel.

The Haifa Anti-Tuberculosis League is holding a Purim fancy dress ball in aid of needy tuberculars at the Megiddo Hotel tonight.

The traditional Purim bazaar of the Working Mothers Associations was opened at the Z.O.A. House in Tel Aviv yesterday by Mrs. Devorah Netzer, M.K. Sales will last till Tuesday.

Celebrate Purim tonight, March 1, at the Sharon Hotel. Table reservation by phone—Herzlia 41.

PURIM SERVICES
JERUSALEM
Yeshurin Synagogue: Tonight: Arvit and reading of Megilat Esther, 6 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 6 a.m. & 7.30.
Emet V'Emuna (Gan Rehavia): Tonight: Reading of Megilat Esther, 6.15 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 6.30 a.m.

Jewish Agency Acquires Zola, Dreyfus Documents

A set of "L'Aurore," the Paris newspaper, beginning with the issue for January 13, 1898 which contained Emile Zola's open letter on the Dreyfus case *J'accuse*, has been entrusted to the care of Zionist Central Archives, "L'Aurore" was taken over later by Clemenceau and led the campaign for the revision of Dreyfus's sentence.

The set includes the other issues dealing with the Dreyfus case, the trial of Emile Zola, Dreyfus's second trial at Rennes, and ends with Zola's open letter to the President of France on December 22, 1900.

The collection was presented by Mrs. L. de Sterke-de Sterke of Rotterdam. A photograph of the first issue will be kept in the Herzl Room in the central offices of the Jewish National Fund in Jerusalem.

Where to go

JERUSALEM
9-6: Jerusalem Biblical Zoo: Romema, Bus 15. Feeding times: 2-3 p.m.
9-1; 2-5: Bezalel Museum. Exhibitions: Musical Instruments: Masks of Primitive Peoples: Purim Scroll.
9-4: Archaeological Exhibition. Dept. of Antiquities, 2a Rehov Shlomo Hamelech.
10-1: Sanhedria Tombs.
11.30-12.30: Film Show at Keren Hayesod Head Office.
9 p.m.: King David Hotel, Purim Ball of the Society of Medical students.
9 p.m.: "Desire Under the Elms": Chamber Theatre, Edison Hall.

TEL AVIV
10-1; 4-7: Exhibition:—Chinese and Japanese Art: Water Colours by Kosonogin: Sculptures by Anych Reznik. Museum.
10-1; 4-7: Melitta Shiller, Exhibition of paintings. Art Pavillion, 9 Allenby.
10-2; 4-8: Exhibition of paintings by Yehiel Krize at the New Gallery, "Central Building," 94 Allenby Road.
8.15 p.m.: "It'll Be Goods" Li-Lo-Le Theatre: Rama Hall.

Story Behind Arab Departure from Bonn

By HENRIETTE BOAS
POST Correspondent

AMSTERDAM, Saturday. — The story behind the departure from Bonn last month of the delegation of the Arab States is still being discussed in the press.

A report in the Beirut "L'Orient" a fortnight ago that the delegation had left at the request of the West German Government, was later reprinted in "Diplomatische Korrespondenz" of Bonn, together with a denial. "L'Orient" had quoted the Lebanese Foreign Minister as stating that the West-German Government had requested the Arabs to leave because they had been in contact with Neo-Nazi groups.

The "Diplomatische Korrespondenz," which is known to have good connections with the Bonn Ministry of Foreign Affairs, adds that it learnt that the delegation after having been in West Germany for a considerable time had been told that they had ample opportunity for talks. Though it had been noticed in Bonn that the Arabs had sought contact with Neo-Nazis, that was not the reason why the delegation had been asked to terminate its visit, the paper's source added.

Israel Through Eyes Of Visiting Teachers

POST Correspondent

NEW YORK, Saturday. — Six months ago 26 American Hebrew teachers left here to study in Israel under six-month fellowships sponsored by the World Zionist Organization's Department of Education and Culture and by the American Association of Hebrew Teachers Colleges.

Ten have remained in Israel, and of the other 26 it is fairly safe to say the majority will be returning. At least that is the impression one gathered at a press conference held with the 16 soon after their return.

Dr. Nathan Morris, director of the W.Z.O. Department, had hardly finished warning about the lack of Hebrew teachers throughout the world when the 16 were let loose on the press.

Allan Blaine, a graduate of the Jewish Theological Seminary, poured out his impressions of the people of Israel as compared with the Jews he knew in America. He gave the reaction to the Soviet-bloc purges as his example.

"I saw in Israel what you do not see here" (when Jews are threatened as behind the Iron Curtain). "I saw the pent-up, angry spirit of the people of Israel as compared with the air of indifference here."

Simcha M. Wagner, a graduate of Yeshiva University, mentioned the difficulties Diaspora Jews have in "getting along in their environment and preserving their Jewishness." There were no such problems for the Jews of Israel where "the nationalistic spirit is unparalleled by anything on the part of the Jews in the Diaspora."

As student enthusiasm for Israel surged ever higher, one reporter pointed out that the present shortage of Hebrew teachers in America might well be increased by such seminars if many of the participants remain in Israel.

"Well," Dr. Morris responded, "everyone who attends the seminar must come back for at least two years to teach here." He added that "we're not a section of the Department of Immigration."

How Dr. Timashuk Won Her Spurs

MOSCOW, Saturday (Reuter). — Dr. Lidia Timashuk, a grey-haired grandmother, fought single-handed to expose the Moscow "doctors' plot," the Soviet Health Ministry Magazine, "Medical Worker," said earlier this week.

In an article entitled, "Patriot Lidia Timashuk," it threw new light on how she won the Order of Lenin for exposing nine doctors, five of them Jews, accused of murdering Soviet leaders.

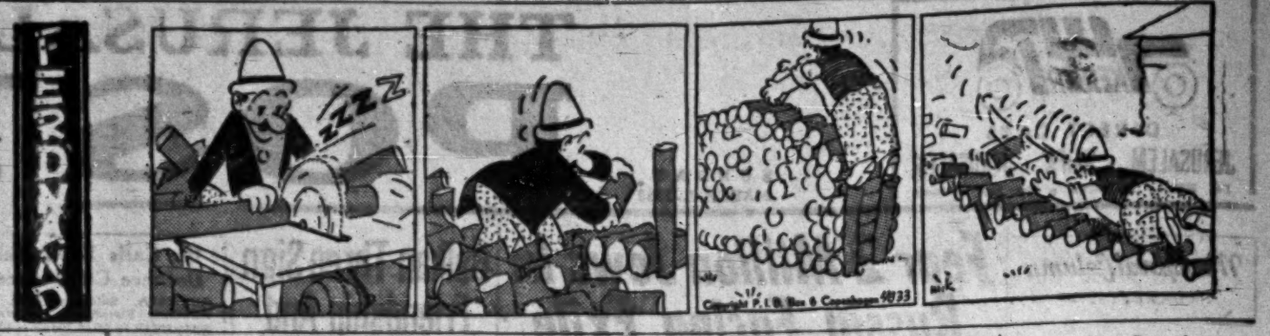
Dr. Timashuk is "a modest, ordinary doctor without a scientific title," who engaged in combat first against one and then against a whole band of 'doctors' having famous names, high authority and scientific rank," it said. Given the job of attending a patient she questioned the basis of an electrocardiogram diagnosis of a famous professor, believing he had made a mistake.

She was reproached and condemned as an "ignorant muddler," the article said. Undeterred she demanded a discussion of her conclusions by the collegium of doctors, and fought the professors step by step until the band of "degenerates with vipers stings instead of hearts were unmasked."

The magazine said, Dr. Timashuk, obviously the state's star witness in the case, had a husband and aviator son invalided during the war and a small grandson.

JULIANA IN BRITAIN

LONDON, Saturday (UP). — Queen Juliana of the Netherlands paid a one-day visit here on Thursday to thank Britain for help given to Holland in the recent flood disaster. She made the trip in a plane piloted by her husband, Prince Bernard.



REVIEW OF FRIDAY'S PRESS

Why People Leave Israel; How to Make Others Come

"Ha'aretz" (Independent) comments on figures announced by the Minister of Interior on immigration into and emigration from Israel. According to this source, about 39,000 people have left Israel out of about 700,000 who entered the country since 1948. The paper believes that emigration from Israel should of course be regretted, but that it is a natural phenomenon, especially if one takes into consideration that the Western world is not as hermetically closed to Jewish immigrants now as it was 15 years ago. The paper deplores that immigration was not made selective long ago and remarks that indiscriminate immigration does not imply an increase in external security, drawing attention to the comparatively high percentage of sick and social cases among immigrants of recent years.

An intake of 700,000 is no small achievement, says the paper, but unless and until all of them have been absorbed into the economy and integrated into the life of the country, a further large immigration should not be expected. The paper hopes that General Zionist representatives in the Government have realized the close connection between our economy and immigration and will work for the liquidation of those factors which according to "Ha'aretz" mainly hamper immigration such as the lack of profitability of many enterprises, a bureaucratic attitude on the part of some authorities, low productivity and a standard of living which is still too high.

M. Ya'ari in "Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) says that Mapai's main enemy is the synthesis between pioneering Zionism and revolutionary Socialism as symbolised by Mapam. Replying in detail to the series of articles by "S. Sh. Yariv" in "Davar" (Histadrut) Mr. Ya'ari stresses the fact that the Agudat Israel, the Mizrahi Party and even Herut reveal a more moderate and conciliatory attitude towards Mapam and world Communism than Mapai.

There is a new instalment in the series of articles by Yariv in "Davar" which by chance anticipates Mr. Ya'ari's arguments and deals with the "synthesis" as outlined by the Mapam leader.

Jews Must Protest

Editorially "Davar" comments on the all-Jewish conference to take place on March 10. Dr. Sneh, the paper maintains, did not reveal a specifically "leftist" attitude when he asked in the Knesset that Jews from Israel should not participate in the conference. "Davar" says that in the past there have always been people who advised the Jews not to protest when attacked by their own or foreign rulers. It is difficult to predict how Dr. Sneh's political development will end one day, but the Jewish people is not ready to go along with him, and will not voluntarily [illegible] its right to protest against anti-Jewish campaigns.

"Haboker" (Gen. Zionist) in its editorial says that further complications with regard to German reparations should be prevented. What has been agreed upon by the Government in the past cannot be undone, but the issue of the German ships should be withdrawn from the agenda, at least for the present.

A correspondent writing in "Herut" takes a position which differs from the negative opinion voiced in a "Herut" editorial with regard to the abolition of military government in the Arab populated areas of Israel; he does not believe that the abolition of present restrictions would cause a deterioration in internal security.

"Haboker's" cartoonist comments on the press report about two men who entered Mr. M. Ya'ari's room at the Mapam offices with the intention to annoy him. He shows a burglar about to enter a flat through the window, and a policeman behind him. The burglar says: Really, sister, I only intend to annoy the owner of the flat.

THE WEEK AT THE STOCK EXCHANGE

Interest Centres on Gov't Bonds

TEL AVIV.

This week again, dollar-linked Government Bonds were the centre of interest. The firm tendency was maintained at first, but in the course of the week both Tavei Dollar and Milve Leumi weakened considerably. In the case of Tavei Dollar the reason was that quite substantial sales set in, so as to realize cash in connection with the imminent final settlement of the compensation for British securities. The downward trend in Milve Leumi was due to the fact that the Jewish Agency appealed, literally at the last moment, against the decision of the Jerusalem District Court, according to which the third instead of the second rate is to be paid for the Dollar. Tavei Dollar dropped by about 10%, closing cum coupon at 190. Milve Leumi, which was quoted "buyers only" on Tuesday, dropped by 10% on Wednesday, and declined further on Thursday, when the small issue closed at 299½, the large cum coupon at 264, and ex coupon at 271.

Palestine Electric, on the other hand, were firmer, both on the Company's announcement of favourable business possibilities, and on higher quotation on the London market; London registered shares closed at 145½, Israel registered shares at 152½.

NEW YORK.

A settlement, according to which the margin requirements on purchases and short sales were reduced from 75 to 50%, had a stimulating effect, causing lively turnover. No considerable upward trend was evident, however, due to profit-taking.

LONDON.

The quiet tendency was maintained. On the Foreign Bond Market, Japanese and German Loans were in demand. Interest for South-African Gold Mines was also maintained, but no marked upward trend was apparent.

GOLD

The free gold price remained on the basis of $37.— to 37.45 per fine ounce. The American gold stock figures have now begun fully to reflect the deterioration in the external payments of the United States that set in towards the middle of last year. Between the end of November last and the middle of this month the American gold stock dropped by no less than $570m. In Paris, the sovereign was quoted on February 23 Ffrs. 4520-, against Ffrs. 4570 the week before.

COMMODITITIES

The U.K. Commodity Index remained almost unchanged at 510.8. An early decision by the British Government on the future of raw cotton buying is now confidently expected, but forecasts that the Liverpool futures market will reopen are premature. The view is that without sterling convertibility and a sudden accession of private capital to Liverpool, the market could not operate on a sufficient scale to dispense entirely with cover through the Raw Cotton Commission or some similar body. In the U.S.A., the surplus in agrarian products remains a source of some anxiety.

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FIRST PROGRAMME

NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 7.59, 1.30, 6.15, 8.30, 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 8.00 a.m., 2.15 and 6.30 p.m. Turkish: 10.30 a.m.

6.30 a.m. Service. 6.35 Exercises. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.10 Morning Melodies (R). 8.30 Purim Music (R). 8.45 Close Down.

10.30 a.m. Music While You Work. 11.00 Music of the People (R). 11.40 Housewives' Corner. 12.30 Programme for Hospitals. 12.30 Concert Hall: Overture "Ester" (Ditteredorf); "Les Petits Riens" (Mozart); Suite "Jeux d'enfants" (Bizet); Overture "Carneval" (Dvorak); "An American in Paris" (Gershwin). 1.45 Programme Announcements. 1.48 Break for Music (R). 2.00 Close Down.

4.30 p.m. Variety (R). 5.00 Tea Time Music. 5.45 Children's Hour. 7.00 Variety. 7.07 Programme Announcements. 7.10 A Parade in the Makevsky Manner. 7.40 Talk. 8.00 Purim Songs (R). 8.30 Bible Reading. 8.45 Purim Programme. 9.00 Purim Quiz. 10.00 Dutges & Schumacher. 10.30 Folk Dances (R). 11.05 Dance Music (R). 12.00 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

463, 235, 716, 43.9 M.

English News: 1.45 p.m.; 10.15 p.m. 4.00 p.m. Music for Sunday (R). 4.40 Chess Corner. 5.00 Programme for Youngsters. 5.30 Literature Corner. 5.50 Music (R). 5.45 Talmud Lesson. 6.15 Close Down.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (31.5 M.): 11.15 p.m. Newsreel. 11.30 "Personal Column," by Walter Eytan. 11.35 Music for Purim.

ARMY PROGRAMMES: (44.6, 216, 229 & 225 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Songs. 7.00 Entrance Ticket. 7.30 Today's Events. 7.45 Sports. 8.00 Purim Programme. 8.30 News. 8.45 I.A.F. Band in Purim Programme. 10.00 Close Down.
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VOICE OF AMERICA: Hebrew Programme: 5-5.30 p.m. (15, 16, 19 & 25 M.): "Our Listeners Ask."

Jewish Agency Acquires Zola, Dreyfus Documents
A set of "L'Aurore," the Paris newspaper, beginning with the issue for January 13, 1898 which contained Emile Zola's open letter on the Dreyfus case *J'accuse*, has been entrusted to the care of Zionist Central Archives, "L'Aurore" was taken over later by Clemenceau and led the campaign for the revision of Dreyfus's sentence.
The set includes the other issues dealing with the Dreyfus case, the trial of Emile Zola, Dreyfus's second trial at Rennes, and ends with Zola's open letter to the President of France on December 22, 1900.
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100 American Athletes Coming for Maccabiah

A contingent of 100 athletes will be coming from America to represent the U.S. at the Fourth Maccabiah in Israel next September, according to a decision made by the U.S. Committee for Sports in Israel led by Col. Henshel.

In addition, from 10 to 15 U.S. Olympic stars, in athletics, swimming and weight-lifting, will take part in "open" tournaments which are to be held during the period of the Maccabiah Games.

Meetings have been held by representatives of the Maccabi World Executive with the Ministers of Communications and Posts in connection with the Games. Mr. Joseph Saphir, Minister of Communications, promised to facilitate transport during the event and stated that suitable arrangements will also be made for the reception of teams and visitors at Israel's air and sea ports.

Special Stamps Issue

Dr. Joseph Burg, Minister of Posts, discussed a plan for a special issue of stamps to celebrate the Maccabiah, and also promised to facilitate the installation of telephones at the principal venues, as well as temporary post offices at the Stadiums and Maccabiah Village.

Trials for the selection of the Brazilian contingent were held recently at Sao Paulo. The final trials are due to be held in Rio de Janeiro at the end of March, and in Sao Paulo at the end of May. The first issue of "Maccabiah News" has been issued, containing full details of the sports' programme and timetable of the Maccabiah.

American Olympic Stars Named

According to a cable received here, the American Olympic stars, who have signified their assent to come to Israel during the Fourth Maccabiah and participate in an "open" tournament, so far, are: Bob Richards, the pole-vault champion; sprinters Andy Stanfield and Young; the decathlon expert, Bob Mathias; swimmer Fred Konno; and divers, Patricia Keller McCormick and Sammy Lee. The two top ranking tennis stars, Dick Savitt and Herbert Flam, have also indicated their readiness to come.

Command Table Tennis Competition

Private Nir won the Army's Central Command table tennis championship last week. Second place went to Private Shamir, with Corporal Matlin third. Forty men took part in the event, which were part of the preparations for the Army Championships.

Givat Haim Win Fourth Time Running

The veterans' team from Givat Haim won the Hapoel Volleyball championship at Kfar Hamaccabi last Saturday for the fourth consecutive time, after a series of hard fought and closely contested games.

RESULTS: Givat Haim beat Amir, 18/14, 15/13; and Kfar Hamaccabi, 12/15, 15/12, 18/16. Kfar Hamaccabi gained second place by defeating Amir, 15/4, 11/9.

Max Schneider Memorial Cup

The "blitz" soccer competition in memory of the late Max Schneider, Israel's foremost soccer referee, is to be held next Thursday, March 5, on the Jaffa Hapoel ground. The trophy has been donated by Aluf Mishne Zore'a, Army chief of Physical Training. Eight teams from the Tel Aviv district are to participate.

Independence and Football Cup Schedules

The first round of the annual Independence Cup knock-out soccer competition is to be held on March 14, with selected teams from Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa, Nathanya, Petah Tikva, Rehovot and Ramat Gan participating. The semi-finals are to take place on April 4, and the final on Independence Day, April 20, on the Y.M.C.A., pitch in Jerusalem.

The opening stage of the Israel Football Association annual Cup competition is also slated to take place on March 14, with League C teams engaged. The second round, on April 18, will bring the League B teams into the affray, with the third round, on May 2, bringing the top sides of League A.

In addition, this year for the first time, there will be a consolation competition for teams eliminated from the main Cup Battle in the early rounds, the winner gaining a special shield which has been donated by the I.F.A.

Hoop-Men Invited To Turkey

An Israel basketball team has been invited to play at the annual Turkish International Championships to be held at Istanbul from October 11 to 18 this year. Organized by the Turkish Basketball Association, the event is planned to include many more entrants from outside Turkey this time, as the tournament is to from part of the 500th Anniversary of the surrender of Constantinople.

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Holland's Broekman Captures Europe Crown

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At Garmisch Partenkirchen (Germany), Lloyd Johnson drove the United States No. 2 sled to a world championship in the fourman bobsled racing event. Johnson won the title in his first try in the world championships competition. The 38 year old purchasnig agent for the U.S. Military Post only took up the sport three years ago and almost missed being chosen for this year's American second team. His team-mates were: Sgt. Pat Biesladecki, Hubert Miller and Lt. Joseph W.D. Smith, stationed with the U.S. Forces in Germany. German ace, Andreas Ostler, trying for his third straight world title, was second, 34 seconds behind Johnson.

At Dortmund (Germany), young Valda Osborn, of England, won the women's singles crown in the European senior ice skating championships just ahead of Germany's Gundi Busch, with England's Erika Batchelor, third. The tall 16 year old London girl was first in the scompulsory skating, one place point ahead of the 17 year old German champion, and then thrilled the 15,000 crowd with a colourful free style performance to clinch the crown.

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Jerusalem	74	4	9	7
Beersheba	—	6	—	—
Eilath	44	17	21	20

FORECAST: Cold and rainy. Risk of thunderstorms with hail accompanied by strong winds later in day.

"A) Humidity at 1 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maxim. yesterday. D) Maxim temp. expected today.

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JEWELLERY, A SILK BLOUSE, bedding and other household items were stolen from the home of Mr. Sharbo Sharbonescu at Rehov Yeshurun in Haifa on Friday afternoon.

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ELIAS SHIMRON, 21, who went berserk in the Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court on Friday when he started running and hitting people after the judgment was passed, was subdued by four policemen and driven off to jail to serve a seven-month sentence for acting as a procurer.

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THE HISTADRUT may picket the Nahariya bus station kiosk because the owner has paid no social benefits to an employee who has been on sick leave for three months. The owner, Mr. F. Cohen, denies liability and is fighting the ban with the backing of the hotel proprietors.

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AHMED SHAMTI, 56, a farmer of Juljulia, and owner of a grove in the "Little Triangle" near the Jordan border, was committed for trial by the Tel Aviv District Court on Friday charged with giving false evidence on the ownership of the grove.

Mrs. Myerson in Hospital

TEL AVIV Saturday. — Mrs. Golda Myerson, the Minister of Labour, was admitted yesterday to Bellinson Hospital for treatment and observation which will last for a few days.

Aged Russian Immigrant Arrives in s.s. Negbah

HAIFA, Saturday. — A 69-year-old woman from Kishinev embraced her son, a naval officer, when they met in the Port yesterday morning after many years of separation. She was the only immigrant from the Soviet Bloc among the 109 who arrived in the s.s. Negbah, most of them from North Africa.

Among the 222 passengers was a 21-year-old stowaway who succeeded in leaving Israel in the Negbah; he was unable to land in any Italian or French port and returned here after a fortnight's roundtrip to be met by Port Police.

A total of 32,965 visitors entered Israel in 1952, as compared to 35,893 in 1951, the Central Bureau of Statistics and Economic Research reports.

Last year 26,700 were tourists; 2,000 diplomats; 2,000 persons in transit; 1,000 on temporary jobs; and 900 pilgrims. In addition, another 10,526 persons passed through the country on one-day visits.

Although the overall total of tourists dropped in 1952, the number coming from America rose from 11,860 in 1951 to 14,115 in 1952. About half the tourists came by air and about two-thirds left by air.

The average stay in 1952 was 66 days as compared to 58 days in the preceding year. If, however, those visitors, who arrived as tourists more than two years ago and remained to live here, are deducted, the average was only 40 days. The number of visitors who stayed less than a month rose from 34.3 per cent in 1951 to 36.7 in 1952.

RATION NEWS

JERUSALEM: Local butter: 100 grams. Dalet cards, Ayin 21; Het cards, Beauch. 21, temporary 49. Tomatoes: 250 grams, coupons 21, 22, temporary 49, zones 5, 9. TEL AVIV: Butter: 100 grams. Het Aleph 3, Het Bet 9 and Het Gimel 9. Eggs: 4, Het Aleph 3 cards: 3, Het Bet 9 cards: 5, Het Gimel 9 cards. Meat substitute: 3 eggs, Gimel 18, temporary 34.

NORTHERN DISTRICT: February rations: white flour, 500 grams, coupon 654, temporary, 321. Cocoa: 150 grams, Aleph and Bet cards, Lamed 47, Lamed 48, temporary, 36. Laundry soap: one bar, plus additional bar on Aleph cards. Tel 45, temporary, 11. Toilet soap: one bar, plus additional bar on Aleph cards, temporary 25. Soap powder: 220 grams, coupon 356, temporary 20. Tomato puree: 200 grams, no coupon, temporary 16. Coffee and tea: 220 grams coffee or 100 grams tea, or 60 grams coffee and 50 grams tea. Lamed 30, Lamed 28, temporary, 25; Gimel cards will receive 100 grams tea.

Maximum prices on tinned vegetables were lifted on Friday.

Fifth Nahal Settlement Founded Where David Hid from Saul

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The fifth Nahal settlement was formally launched at Ein Gedi on the shore of the Dead Sea on Thursday. The Minister of Finance, Mr. Levi Eshkol, who spoke at the Nahal parade, said the new settlement would play a role in the resumption of work at the Sdom Potash plant. Mr. Eshkol visited the plant on his way to Ein Gedi.

Mr. Moshe Sharett visited Ein Gedi on Friday on his way back from Elath and Sdom.

A sixth Nahal settlement in central Israel will be established shortly, Aluf-Mishneh Moshe Netzer, Nahal commander, told the 300 guests who had made a 12-hour journey to attend the ceremony. Knesset Members Yosef Baratz, Ami Assaf and Haim Ben Asher were among those present. Mr. Yehuda Almog, a veteran Sdom worker, greeted the Nahal in the name of "the dreamers of the Dead Sea."

Situated at the entrance to a V-shaped valley between almost vertical rocks and the sea, Ein Gedi is the only place on the western shore of the Dead Sea where fresh water is available in large quantities from a tepid spring. The place, famous for its vineyards in ancient times, was the hiding place of David when he fled the wrath of Saul. In Ein Gedi, too, the Essenes lived their ascetic lives during the period of the Second Temple. Massada, the rock fortress where Jewish defenders resisted 10,000 Roman soldiers for several years, is a short distance south of Ein Gedi.

On Thursday night, a celebration was held in the Ein Gedi camp that had the familiar features of a typical kibbutz feast. Guests were fed in the long kibbutz dining hall and terrace. Floodlights for the open-air party were powered by the local generator, and the evening was complete with a cinema performance: a Mickey Mouse short and a film showing the first Nahal settlers coming to Ein Gedi a short time ago.

Mother Seeks Child Left in City's Care

POST Legal Correspondent

A writ of habeas corpus to inquire into the whereabouts of ten-year-old Rivka Jurga was issued by the High Court on Friday to the child's mother. The writ is directed against the Ministry for Social Welfare and the Jerusalem Municipality.

Mrs. Jurga declared that she had left the child with Mrs. V. Fried and Mrs. E. Weinberger, two sisters, prior to leaving for Cyprus in 1947. She paid regularly for Rivka's upkeep and was satisfied with the treatment accorded the child.

During the War of Liberation Mrs. Fried's apartment on Rehov Ben Yehuda was blown up and she was forced to seek other guardians for the child. The Ministry for Social Welfare and the Social Welfare Department of the Municipality who had undertaken to care for the child, refused to return her to the two sisters when they were again living under normal conditions. The Municipality declared in March, 1949 that it would return the child only to the mother.

Three years later, when Mrs. Jurga returned, the Municipality declined to tell the mother where her daughter was. The Ministry for Social Welfare stated that the child had been neglected and that it was in her best interests not to come into contact with Mrs. Jurga.

In the course of correspondence between the mother and the Municipality, the latter said that the child had left its care in March, 1948. The applicant argues that this is in direct contradiction with the promise made in 1949 to return the child to the mother. It was also pleaded that until a competent Court deprives Mrs. Jurga of her natural guardianship over Rivka, no one has the right to keep her daughter from her.

The Court was composed of Justices Olshan, Agranat and Halevi. Dr. Y. Frank appeared for the applicant.

Shoemaker, 72, Sitting Under Tree Killed by Taxi

TEL AVIV, Saturday.—A 72-year-old shoemaker who sat working on a stool under a tree in the centre of Ramle was killed yesterday afternoon when he was hit by a taxi which mounted the pavement.

The accident occurred when an Eshed bus, driven by Yitzhak Cohen, skidded to the left of the wet road and an oncoming taxi driven by Gershon Weidman, 49, of Haifa, swerved sharply to the right to avoid the bus, but struck the tree on the pavement and killed Benyamin Laraut, the shoemaker.

The Eshed driver was detained and later released in bond while the taxi driver was held.

APART FROM the Rates Collecting Department and the Department of Indirect Taxes, all offices of the Tel Aviv Municipality will be closed today on the occasion of Purim.

High Cost of Justice

Lawyers have found a bright side to the sharp increase in Court fees which became effective on February 15. One of the provisions is that the fee for an appeal is to be half the sum paid for the original suit.

Since most of the suits in which appeals are being lodged now were still paid under the previous Court fees, lawyers now pay a minimal sum, sometimes even less than what they would have had to pay previously, for their appeals.

Segal Charged With Killing Fiancee

Baruch Segal, 20, was charged yesterday with murdering his fiancee, Mazal Levy, 18, in Jerusalem, on Thursday afternoon. He gave himself up to Beersheba police on Friday afternoon.

At three o'clock, he entered the police station, pointed to an afternoon newspaper describing the murder, and asked whether the police were searching for him. After making a statement, he was taken to Jerusalem. He is to be brought to Court today.

In Jerusalem, it was learned that Segal met Mazal Levy a year ago. Several months later they became engaged.

On Thursday he did not go to work, and he told his mother to ask his fiancee to come to see him in the afternoon. At 5.30, he went to Ramat Rahel, where he worked, to receive his wages, IL. 18 of which he left his mother in an evelope.

Quarrel Over Girl Leads to Stabbing

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — A quarrel over a girl in the Israel Cafe in Jaffa in the small hours this morning led to the stabbing of Moshe Haim Kazara, 56, allegedly by Mantash Ashkenazi, 42. The latter was said to have been intoxicated.

The injured man is a co-owner of the cafe which is situated near the Jaffa prison and which has often been the scene of violence. The attacker, a street porter, lives at 5 Rehov Levontin here. He was detained and held on a charge of manslaughter.

Shimron Denies He Exceeded Speed Limit

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Mr. E.S. Shimron, State Attorney, testified yesterday that he had not exceeded the speed of 55 kilometres an hour when he hit the man he killed last month on the Tel Aviv-Lydda road. He was making a statement under oath in the manslaughter case against him in the District Court here.

He said that he had seen the man he hit from a distance of about 25 metres and had driven the car to the left side of the road to avoid striking the man, but the latter had not heard the car nor the screech of its brakes.

Dr. N. Bar Zakai, President of the District Court, will hand down judgment on March 8.

FOOD INSPECTOR AS BUTCHER

HADERA, Saturday.—Inspectors of the local Food Control Department turned butchers on Thursday when they distributed the meat rations to residents of the Arab village Jisr el Zarka, near Benyamina.

When the villagers failed to receive their ration two weeks ago, they complained to the Department which investigated the delay and detained the village butcher after the meat was traced to a neighbouring town.

Contractor Fined For False Tax Report

A building-contractor, Anis Parsi, was fined IL.250 by the Jerusalem Magistrate's Court on Friday for having drawn up a false report and given incorrect information to the Tax Commissioner's Office regarding the income he derived from the sale of apartments.

The Court took into consideration that part of the sum due had already been paid and that the accused had undertaken to pay the rest shortly. A fine of several thousands of Pounds would have been imposed otherwise, Judge Toussia-Cohen said.

In view of a compromise the Tax Commissioner had reached with the accused, Mr. A. Kammar, of the Office of the District Attorney, did not request the imposition of an additional fine of IL.300, which the law provided for.

The Court opined that though the Commissioner may cancel charges against a person if he has reached a compromise with him, he may do that only if the compromise is with regard to the whole sum in question. If it is only part of the sum, the charge sheet cannot be modified and it must be left to the Judge to take the part settlement into consideration.

Mr. H. Krongold appeared for the contractor.

More Than IL.15,000 For Flood Victims

More than IL.15,000 has been received in Israel for "Watersnood 1953," the relief fund for Holland's flood victims.

The deadline for contributions is March 15.

The Netherlands Legation in Israel gratefully acknowledges receipt of the following contributions to the flood victims fund "Watersnood 1953":

IL.509.500 — Members of the Diamond Exchange, Tel Aviv.

IL.224. — Proceeds Concert of "Kol Israel" on February 17.

IL.182.580 — Inheritance of Zichron Ya'acov through intermediary and at the initiative of Mrs. G. C. Rosenberg-Betel.

IL.151.400 — Members of the staff of the Shell Co., Haifa.

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IL.45 — Children Tahcemon School, Jaffa.

IL.40—Kvutzat Sde Eliezer, Emek Bet Shean.

IL.30 — M. J. Gerson and Joop Gerson, Haifa.

IL.26 — Several members of Kvutzat Sde Nehemia.

IL.25 — N.N., Jerusalem; The Arab Cigarette & Tombac Co., Nazareth; The Near East Superintending (Israel) Ltd., 7d Aviv; Jensen & Nicholson (M.E.) Ltd., Haifa.

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IL.19 — Some members of Kvutzat Ein Hanatziv collected by M. v. d. Vos.

IL.15 — Mrs. Fresco-de la Penha, Kiryat Motzkin; S. C. van der Hem; E. Dasberg, Hod Ashkelon; Employees Shell Chemicals Distributing Co., Middle East Ltd., Tel Aviv; Staff of the Near East Superintending (Israel) Ltd., Tel Aviv; A. Abrahamse, Jaffa.

IL.14 — N.N., Ramat Gan.

IL.13.430 — Children, Parents and and Teachers, Bet Sefer Amami, Ahuza, collected by Theodore Wiznitz and Shlomit Hadary.

IL.13 — Staff of Dept. of Physical Chemistry, Jerusalem; Children fourth class Beth Sefer Hadashim, Haifa.

IL.12 — Staff of Engineers Broadcasting House, Jerusalem.

IL.11 — 50 per cent from a raffle, Galei Kinneret.

IL.10 — M. Pikowsky Ltd., Jerusalem; the Sem-Lich School, Jerusalem; Mrs. D. Fass-Isaye, Tel Aviv; J. Rosa, Nes-ziona; Greenberg Bitton, Jerusalem; Kibbutz Tzorah, Judaea Hills; M. Benjamin, Haifa; F. J. Heymans & Co., Tel Aviv; The Levant Bonded Warehouses Co., Ltd., Tel Aviv; A. de Swaan, Ramat Gan; Patra Ltd., Tel Aviv; Kvutzat Sdot Yam; Mrs. Haiperin-Popering, Pardess Hana; H. & E. Simco, Haifa; Koka Erik's Trade, Kiryat Anavi; Mrs. Salomon-Floersheim, Haifa; J. Zangen, Haifa; Ernst & Hilde Lilienfeld, Haifa.

IL.4 — P. Weiss, Haifa.

IL.3 — I. Meininger, Jerusalem; Mrs. D. Schickel-Gaedens, Tiberias; N.N., Jerusalem; D. M. Wolfson, Tel Aviv; E. A. Vega, Jerusalem; J. v. Straten, Ramat Gan; J. Sroesky, Givatayim; N.N., Afuleh; L. de Beer-Dinaux, B'nei B'rak; Mrs. Z. Schwartzschild-Ehrmann, Tel Aviv; Mrs. Dr. Schwartzschild, Tel Aviv; L. Klaus, Berakovo Tenuva; Kiryat Bialik; M. Wach-Pasternak, Tel Aviv; Z. Noach, Tel Aviv; Mrs. B. M. Ehrlich-Weinberg, Kfar Atta; M. Sela van Thijn, Yokneam; D. Kahn, Haifa; J. Van Dias, Haifa; J. van Blits, Bat Hasharon; F. & T. Samson, Haifa; Dr. S. Blumenthal, Kiryat Anavi; A. Kirmayer, Haifa; N.N., Sde Nehemia; Z. Lifman, Haifa; J. Samson, Kvutzat Cabri; E. & J. Roos, Tiberias; Mrs. R. Lewinsohn-Speyerman, Kfar Kisch; Miss S. Lash, Haifa.

IL.4 — Dr. Nadia Stein, Haifa.

IL.3 — Sh. Saphir & Mrs. K. van der Wilde-Saphir, Jerusalem; H. Neumark, Haifa; M. Dallin, Tel Aviv; M. Perez, Berakovo; J. de Groot, Haifa; M. Ben Levy, Haifa; Ida Silberberg, Haifa; Rachel Besser, Pardess Hanna; R. B. Steinert, Haifa; Mrs. G. Segev, Haifa.

IL.2.320 — Family Boydalowsky-Oudkerk, Haifa; S. Hiyen, Holon.

IL.2 — N.N., Jerusalem; Kattis-Kothepen, Kfar Yedidiah; Mrs. Radlich-Heerlien, Cherev le-Et; S. Mizes, Kibbutz Hacherlim; Mrs. de Vries, Raghar; Mrs. S. Rashabtzki-Englestein, Kfar Ata.

IL.1.920 — Mrs. Markus-Bakker, Petah Tikva.

IL.1 — N.N., Jerusalem; N.N., Children Van Dias, Haifa (from savings-box).

IL.0.520 — Zipporen Gebhiin, Haifa.

On behalf of Mr. W. N. Williams, London, 500 cases of oranges from his own orange groves in Israel, were shipped to Holland.

Two parcels of medicaments were sent by the "Abic" Chemical Laboratories Ltd., Ramat Gan, and "Assia" Chemical Laboratories Ltd., Tel Aviv, and received through the Jewish Agency as gifts for child victims of the floods in Holland.

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$1,5m. Israel Bonds Sold on 1st Night

MONTREAL, Saturday. — The Canadian Israel Bond Drive opened here on Thursday night with an enthusiastic audience of hundreds of Canadians subscribing $1,500,000 in bonds to speed Israel's industrial development.

Highlight was the appearance of Dr. Dov Joseph, Israel Minister without Portfolio. Among the guests were the Canadian Finance Minister, Mr. Douglas Abbott, and the Defence Minister, Mr. Brooke Claxton. American leaders of the Israel Bond Drive present included Mr. Henry Montor and Mr. Samuel Rothberg.

The purchase of $300,000 in Israel Bonds on behalf of his family was announced by Mr. Samuel Bronfman, national co-chairman of the Canadian Bond Drive, while Mr. Hyman Grover, Chairman of the Montreal Bond Campaign, subscribed $100,000 and Mr. Samuel Sunefeld of Toronto, a $125,000 purchase.

Earlier in the day Dr. Joseph was given a warm welcome to Montreal City Hall by Mayor Camile Houde. The Mayor purchased the first Canadian Israel Bond. The day before Dr. Joseph was received in Ottawa by the Defence Minister and met with Government leaders.

Mrs. Joseph addressed two meetings of the Women's Division for Israel Bonds.

(Communicated)

Ramat Gan to Raise Jobless Relief Fund

RAMAT GAN, Saturday. — A one-time levy for unemployment relief works was fixed by the local Municipal Council at the same rates adopted by the Tel Aviv Municipality on Thursday night. The rates for dwelling rooms range from IL.3. for one to IL.30. for five rooms. This levy will require the Government's approval.

On the same night it was unanimously agreed to name new streets after the late President Weizmann, and Aluf Yitzhak Sadeh.

A street is also to be named for the Minister for Social Welfare and Religious Affairs, Mr. Moshe Shapiro.

TEL AVIV, Saturday.—Works for unemployed which were to have been stopped here for lack of funds are to be continued following the receipt by the Municipality yesterday of a IL.40,000 bank loan guaranteed by the Government.

Deportation...

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(as distinct from individual punishment) were started from the newly-acquired western parts of the Soviet Union — the Baltic states, former Polish territories of Bessarabia. The administrative deportees were assigned as agricultural or building labourers in Birobidjan, where they are not treated as prisoners but cut off from the rest of the Soviet Union and forbidden to leave the area.

Early the same year a general examination of writings by Jewish authors was opened by the Soviet Writers Association in the Ukraine in cooperation with the secret police. By the middle of 1952 a circular from the Ministry of Higher Education banned Jews from entering this winter's courses on journalism, radio and social science at Moscow, Kiev, Minsk and Kharkov Universities.

Finally, in December last year the secret police began arresting all persons, both Jews and non-Jews, who had been connected in one time with the government-sponsored Soviet-Israel Friendship Society and the formation of the Israel branch of VOKS, the Soviet society for cultural contacts abroad. At the same time the offices of Jewish communities in the western border areas, notably at Bialystok, Kaunas, Grodno, Vilno, Brest-Litovsk, Lvov and Stanislavov, were searched and correspondence files confiscated. These latter measures are believed to serve as preparation for a major propaganda trial.

REMINDER
Hitachdut Olei America
Jerusalem Branch
Purim Ball
Tomorrow, March 2, at 8.30 p.m.
9 Princess Mary Ave.

Goldfaden Play Arouses Tempers

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Tempers ran high among the theatre-loving audience that came to hear a discussion on the "The Story of a Prince" at the Journalists' "Vocal Newspaper" last night, when the veteran Habimah actor, Mr. Yehoshua Bertonov, labelled critics who had attacked the presentation of old-fashioned Goldfaden's musicals as "barking puppies."

Dr. Haim Gamzu, the theatre critic of the "Ha'aretz" daily, went up the platform to protest. The audience was aroused and the "Goldfaden" and "anti-Goldfaden" factions nearly came to blows. "It was much worse than at political meetings," one of the audience remarked. Order was restored only after the next speaker rose to make his comments.

Watch Smuggling Suspect Bailed Out for Purim

HAIFA, Saturday—The Magistrate yesterday released on bail Shalem Vogel, 53, of Tel Aviv, who was arrested on charges of having smuggled into the country, in the last two months jointly with others, 150 Swiss watches in tins labelled butter.

Police asked for a ten-day remand because the man had accomplices and because he might hinder the investigation. The defence attorney pleaded for his release until after Purim, as the accused was a personal aide of the Rabbi of Belz, who needed him during the festival.

Vogel was required to sign a IL.1.500 bond and to furnish bail through a third party in the same amount. The sum was guaranteed by Mr. Ya'acov Katz, Deputy Mayor, and Mr. Meir Parvenshevsky, a poultry dealer. The Court took out an attachment order on the latter's immovable property as surety.

1,000 Pupils Parade In Beersheba

Beersheba, Saturday. — A Purim carnival for 1,000 local kindergarten children was held here yesterday under the chairmanship of Mayor David Tuviahu.

The gaily-dressed children were paraded throughout the city and vicinity on 14 trucks. They assembled later in the city park and received sweets sent by Mrs. Rachel Ben-Zvi.

All schools and kindergartens will be closed today and tomorrow for the Purim holiday.

Boy in Purim Dress Killed by Car

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Three-year-old Moshe Zonenlicht, running excitedly in his Purim costume along Rehov Hebron here today, jumped into the street under the wheel of an oncoming car and was killed instantly. His parents were on the pavement at the time.

The body was taken to Hadassah Hospital. The driver was detained and later released in bond.

A taxi also hit Mr. Avraham Yitzhak, 63, near his home in Rehov Ha'alyia injuring him severely today.

Army Doctor Killed

ELATH, Saturday (ITIM). — Dr. R. Laszlo, an Army physician, was killed yesterday when he fell from a vehicle returning from the Elath Day festivities. Dr. Laszlo lost his balance when the car descended a slope on the Elath road.

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Rain Washes Out Many Games

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Despite the rains throughout the country, all except one football game in the three leagues took place as scheduled. Only the match between Haifa Maccabi and Tel Aviv Hapoel was cancelled owing to the wet field in Haifa.

A surprise victory was gained by Ramat Gan Hapoel over Tel Aviv Betar by 4 to 0, on the Hapoel grounds at Petah Tikva. Betar missed Ya'acov Gambash who was suspended by the Israel Football Association.

Petah Tikva Hapoel showed marked superiority when they scored four goals in a game against Nathanya Maccabi who succeeded in entering one goal (Shpigel).

Only 1,000 fans saw Tel Aviv Maccabi beat Petah Tikva Maccabi 2 to 1 on the rain-sodden Maccabiah field here. Although the losers played well, they could not break through the strong Maccabi defence line.

An uneventful game in Balfouria end in a 1 to 0 victory for the local Hapoel side over Kfar Saba Hapoel. The decisive goal was shot by Levin in the 30th minute of the second half. In Rehovot the game between the local Maccabi and Haifa Hapoel ended in a 2 to 2 draw.

The traditional "Haim Idelson" race through the streets of Tel Aviv was won by Yosef Salame of Haifa Maccabi who finished the 3,000 metres race in 8.37.1 minutes.

SECOND DIVISION

Betar Jerusalem 4, Hapoel Mahane Yehuda 1; Maccabi Jerusalem 1, Hapoel Ra'anana 0; Hapoel Jerusalem 3, Maccabi Rishon Le Zion 0; Hapoel Rishon Le Zion 4, Maccabi Sha'arim 0; Hapoel Nathanya 3, Hakoach Haifa 0; Hapoel Rehovot 12, Hapoel Herzlia 0; Bnei Yehuda Tel Aviv 4, Hapoel Hakoach Tel Aviv 1; Maccabi Hedera 2, Nathanya Hapoel 0; Hapoel Kiryat Haim 2, Ahdut Natzrim 0; Maccabi Zichron Ya'acov 3, Degel Yehuda Haifa 1.

YOUTH LEAGUE

Maccabi Tel Aviv 2, Betar Ben Yehuda 1; Hakoach Tel Aviv 1, Hapoel Petah Tikva 1; Hapoel Petah Tikva 2, Hapoel Kfar Saba 2; Hapoel Nathanya 3, Maccabi Herzlia 0; Maccabi Rehovot 4, Maccabi Holon 1; Hapoel Rehovot 2, Maccabi Bat Yam 1; Maccabi Haifa 1, Hakoach Haifa 1; Hapoel Hadera 3, Hapoel Haifa 2.

First Division football games were cancelled because of the rain.

The wrestling contest of Hapoel Jerusalem against Hapoel Haifa ended 8 to 6. The Jerusalem winners were: Amir, Menashe, Goldhami and Fisher. Haifa winners were: Decker, Nahumson, Artzi and Berkowitz. On technical points, Haifa scored 14 against Jerusalem's 12.

Hapoel is the only club which sponsors weight-lifting. Shemesh, Mintz and Maliah lifted 110 kilograms each.

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Cables in Brief

FAROUK.—Ex-King Farouk's fabulous collection of treasures will be auctioned in Cairo by the English firm of Southeby's, in a year, Mr. Peter Wilson, a director of Southeby's, on Thursday signed a contract for the auction with the Egyptian Government.

POLAND.—The Polish Foreign Ministry has issued a book of documents designed to prove that the American Government is conducting a policy hostile to the Polish People's Republic.

JAPAN.—The Japanese Government introduced a bill on Friday for the creation of an airline company, half of whose capital will be supplied by the Government. Japan recently signed air agreements with Denmark, Norway, Sweden, the Netherlands, Britain and America to run flights to those countries.

SPAIN.—Tomas Centeno, a Spanish Socialist leader, has been found dead, hanging from his braces in a cell at Madrid central police station, usually reliable sources reported on Friday. Centeno had been detained with ten other persons during investigations into acts of sabotage against the state railways.

MRS. BROWDER UNDER HOUSE ARREST

NEW YORK, Saturday (Reuter). — Mrs. Earl Browder, Russian-born wife of the former American Communist leader, was placed under house arrest on Thursday because she was too ill to be taken from her flat on a deportation order.

Doctors said she had influenza and could not be moved.

When the warrant for Mrs. Browder's arrest was issued on Wednesday it was alleged she entered the U.S. 20 years ago as an alien belonging to or affiliated with the Comunnist Party.

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Conductor: ANATOLE FISTOULARI
Soloist: SIGI WEISSENBERG (Piano)
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Personal Notices

The Hebrew University regrets to announce the death of

Prof. E. L. SUKENIK

The funeral will take place today, March 1, at 1 p.m., from his residence, 67 Rehov Ramban, Jerusalem.

MARTHA PICK
(formerly Prague)
passed away on Saturday, February 28, 1953. The funeral will take place today, March 1, at 11.30 a.m. from the Accutah Hospital, Tel Aviv.
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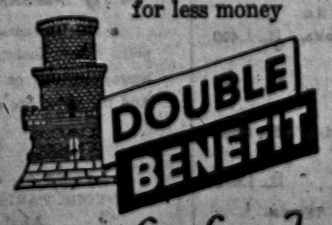

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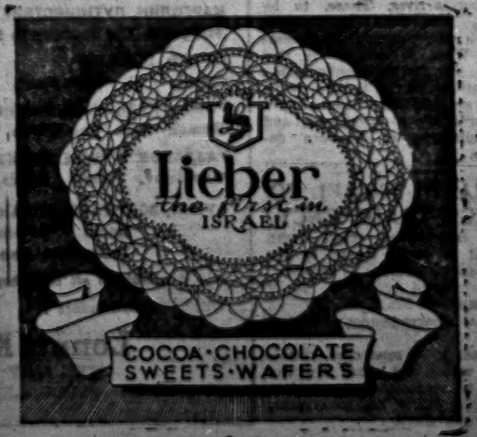

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THE Balkan defence talks, brought to a successful conclusion after several weeks of intensive diplomatic activity — the visits of the Greek and Turkish Foreign Ministers to Belgrade among them — are an important contribution to the defence of the free world. The three countries between them are able to deploy about sixty divisions, which, though unable perhaps to compete in equipment and firing power with the most modern divisions in either West or East — are regarded as more than a match for the satellite units. Moreover, the effectiveness of Yugoslavia's thirty-odd divisions, Turkey's twenty and Greece's ten, is gradually to increase with their mobility; important progress has already been made in this respect during the last two years.

BALKAN DEFENCE

It does not follow that the armies of the three countries would be able to withstand for very long an offensive spearheaded by a majority of the Soviet and satellite armoured divisions in Eastern Europe, but then nor is it considered very likely that the main strike in a coming conflict will be in that direction. What seems to be clear is that the three countries are able to pin down now a considerable part of the Eastern war potential, relieving pressure in general, and thus in itself constituting a deterrent to war.

The agreement signed in Ankara is an achievement greatly to Yugoslavia's credit, though certainly no defeat for anybody in the Western world. Without making any major political and military concessions this country is now virtually protected by the NATO states, because Greece and Turkey are members of the Atlantic treaty association. If Yugoslavia should be attacked they would be bound to come to her assistance and their involvement would almost automatically bring the whole NATO machinery into motion. Neither of these countries has any aggressive designs, needless to say, and the effect of the treaty (though perhaps somewhat less far-reaching than expected) is to discourage aggression in view of Eastern attempts in localised warfare. The main importance of the new treaty for Turkey is the lessening of pressure on its European front, while the flanks of the Greek army will be covered by it.

In the concluding paragraphs of the treaty provision is made for the adherence of other countries. This leaves the door open for Italy, should Rome desire to join the pact. But a prerequisite for this would be a settlement between Yugoslavia and Italy on Trieste. There has been no palpable improvement in the relations between the two countries, but both Belgrade and Rome have recently announced their readiness to compromise and the Greek and Turkish Foreign Ministers have offered their good offices towards such a rapprochement. And there are other countries which might be willing one day to join the alliance and this goes probably for Moscow's Balkan satellites as well. If this should appear chimerical at the present moment, who, is must be asked, expected Yugoslavia's defection or rather excommunication one day prior to the Cominform statement in 1948?

The purge in the satellite states might be expected to continue; this indeed is the one certainty of our time. In these conditions it is not entirely out of question that a group of military or political leaders in one of the satellite states should prefer the Belgrade-Ankara axis to prison or the gallows, if and when their hour to be purged arrives. These, to be sure, are mere eventualities which might or might not come off. What is certain is that even the modest achievements as outlined in the Ankara treaty are an important contribution towards the strengthening and consolidating of Western defence.

BRAZIL, ISRAEL TO SIGN TRADE PACT

A commercial treaty with Brazil is to be signed in Rio de Janeiro within a fortnight, Aluf David Shaltiel, Israel Minister to Brazil, told a Yisrael correspondent yesterday.

Israel is to send cars, chemicals, wines and other products and is negotiating to obtain Brazilian coffee, tea, rice, sugar, meat and hides.

THE WEEK IN THE KNESSET

Controller's Report Helps M.K.'s

BY GERDA LUFT

THE State Controller's report has done a great service not only to the administration, but also to the Knesset, which has been provided with a wealth of material on the workings of the administration and defects awaiting reform, so that it has become possible to tackle the complicated problem of guilding up an efficient government machine on the basis of comprehensive study by experts. An M.K. wishing to form an opinion of the way in which our purchases are handled by the authorities, or on the grading of salaries for officials, or the position in one of the many Departments—to cite only a few examples—can now study a lucid report and participate in the Knesset debate armed with factual knowledge.

In last week's debate Members made good use of the material, which will probably also be cited in debates not directly connected with the Controller's Reports. Much of the matter of fact atmosphere of the debates was, it is true, due to the recently formed coalition. Had the debate on the shortcomings of the administration been held before the General Zionists entered the Government, the Knsset would probably have witnessed the spectacle of the opposition using the Report as a stick with which to beat the Government while coalition-parties would have done their utmost to minimise existing shortcomings. Even so, a considerable difference in tone could be discerned between members of Mapai who tried to emphasize that the Controller's Report is meant only to show defects and not achievements and the General Zionists who felt freer to criticize, as the Reports, deal with a period before they were responsible for Government affairs.

More important even than fair criticism of the past were attempts to point out possible ways of reform. This will continue for a long time, as an efficient Government Administration cannot be built up in a few years, particularly as tasks of the State change with changing circumstances. It is however of the utmost importance and must be taken as a sign of the general will to reform that the Controller's work was welcomed by all parties in the House. The debate showed an increasing understanding of administrative problems.

Police and Politics

In the debate on the Police, too, members were able to base their criticisms and proposals on facts and figures. The political slant was, of course, not missing as left-wing members put much of the blame for increased crime at the door of the "regime" and Herut also found one of the major causes of the problems confronting the police in the political set-up.

Generally speaking, however, the Knesset concentrated on the necessity for preventive measures which would lower the number of offenses against the law most effectively. Attention was paid to the police's difficulties in recruiting and educating suitable personnel, and to the necessity for improving relations between representatives of the law and of the public. The debate continues next week.

The Minister of Justice suggested that the House should accept a ruling to ban dealing with issues which are *sub judice*. The suggestion was made in answer to a proposal by Mr. Lorentz, (Agudat Yisrael) who wished the House to deal with a case against a Rabbi who had published a leaflet against drafting girls into the army and had been sentenced to imprisonment. Mr. Rosen pointed out that the defendant has appealed.

This is not the first time that a case awaiting appeal has been mentioned in the Knesset. In the debate on the attack on the Soviet Legation Mr. Aranne (Mapai) cited the case of the attack on the Foreign Office although this too will be brought up for appeal. At that time there were discussions in the lobbies on whether Mr. Aranne had not infringed on one of the principal taboos of parliamentary procedure, that of not alluding to a case pending in court under any circumstances. The Minister of Justice has strongly come out on the side of those who are trying to make this taboo not only a habit but a rule.

Court Sentences

Underlying these attempts to discuss Court sentences in the House is the important controversy whether Israel judges are too lenient. It is an open secret that the harassed police thinks so. There are, in addition to Members of the Knesset and of the public who believe that the Bench, though fully up to the task of protecting the individual citizen against encroachments of the administration, is not as fully conscious of the necessity of protecting society against criminals. Sometimes this view is simply formulated by saying that Israel judges have too tender a Jewish heart.

The two problems of defending the individual citizen on the one hand and society on the other have to be dealt with separately from Mr. Rosen's defence of the Bench's freedom from pressure from any quarter. His plea that the youngest of parliaments, which should also be the most progressive, should under no circumstances whatever offend against one of the fundamental principles of parliamentary procedure, will surely have its effect.

SALONICA, BALKANS' GATE, IS SLOWLY DYING

Discontent in North Greece

By SAM MODIANO

SALONICA, (Reuter).—ONE of the most important ports of call in the Levant in the past and the main gate to the Balkan peninsula, Salonica, is today slowly dying. In spite of its exceptional geographical position the "second capital" of Greece is becoming just another provincial town.

The entire population of Northern Greece, living under the spell of fear of aggression, is losing its inborn skill for business and of snow-capped Mount Olympus.

The problem is of the highest concern both to the Greek government and to foreign quarters, for Salonica, Macedonia, and Thrace are now on the main Mediterranean line of defence. The well-being of their inhabitants is considered an elementary prerequisite for the security of the rear of the NATO forces.

Government indifference towards the urban workers and rural masses has created growing discontent. For the first time, at the national elections last November, Macedonians and Thracians deserted their traditional friends, the Liberals, and voted for the Conservative Greek Rally, placing their hopes in Marshal Alexander Papagos' promises for a more efficient administration.

At a by-election held this month in Salonica, too, the conservative Greek Rally candidate, Mme. Helen Skouras, won only a narrow margin of some 2,500 votes against the pro-Communist EDA candidate, Dr. John Passalides.

Communications are slow and inadequate. Apart from air communications, it takes ten hours by train to travel from Salonica to Athens. Not a single coastal liner now links Salonica to other Greek ports. Large textile factories have "emigrated" to the already crowded Athens-Piraeus area, leaving behind thousands of idle skilled workers. Real estate has lost 60 per cent of its pre-war value.

In the countryside farmers are living on an average income of less than £150 a year for a family of four or five, all working hard from sunrise to sunset on their tiny plot of land.

One foreign observer told me of his experience in the villages of Ormenion and Dilissi, along the Greek bank of the river Evros: "Greek villagers still using kerosene lamps and ploughing their fields with the same old-fashioned tools which their forefathers used a century ago cannot conceal their envy when looking at the brightly illuminated Bulgarian villages on the opposite shores of the river. Bulgarians there have an electricity supply and tractors and harvesters to use in their fields."

Marhall Papagos knows the extent and the gravity of the problem. Some Ministers are shortly to visit Northern Greece to tackle its manifold problems on the spot.

Yugoslavia has allocated a total of 200m. dinars to rebuilding her Free Zone in the harbour of Salonica, which was partly destroyed during the war. This means that Yugoslavia intends to use the port of Salonica both for the export of raw material and mineral ores, and for the import of industrial and other products from the West.

But the sad reality is that it will take time and determined efforts to restore all the wealth destroyed by ten years of war and civil strife in that area. Expert steps to shape a new economy for that part of the world whose normal trade channels have been disrupted by the war, will be required.

The hope of the people of Northern Greece is now focussed on this endeavour. Should Marshal Papagos fail to fulfil his pre-election commitments, social and political convulsions may shake this vulnerable area of the combined Allied defence in South East Europe.

The late Prof. E. L. Sukenik examining, in August 1949, the ancient Dead Sea scrolls he acquired for the Hebrew University.

MUSICAL DIARY

THE I.P.O.'s Subscription Concert No. 6 at the Edison (Thursday) was as light as a "Midsummer Night's Dream". Opening with Mozart's overture "The Abduction of the Seraglio," guest-conductor Anatole Fistoulari proved a stronger affinity to the tight rhythm and dynamics of Toscanini than to Bruno Walter's tender and lyrical conception of Mozart. Rose Sander was the soloist in the "Leonora" recitative and aria from Beethoven's "Fidelio". She showed that she owns the most beautiful voice heard here for a long time in arias from Verdi's "Masked Ball" and "Aida"; her soprano was easily heard throughout the hall.

Britten's "Simple Symphony" was published, when he was 21 years old. The "Boisterous Bourree" and the "Sentimental Sarabande" have a striking resemblance to Mahler (the latter reminiscent of the "Adagietto" from the "Fifth") whilst the "Playful Pizzicato" derives from Tchaikovsky's "Fourth." All in all it was extremely pleasing and charmingly read. But the climax came with Rimsky-Korsakoff's symphonic suite "Scheherazade." It was amazing what seductive appeal emanated from this "best-seller" in Fistoulari's creative interpretation. For a long time the orchestra has not displayed such liveliness. J. Kamiuski (violin) and Mr. Katz excelled in their solo-parts. Anatole Fistoulari wove a magic carpet of fascinating colour, rhythmical rapture and sensuality, as absorbing as "One Thousand and One Nights."

On the Air

Kol Israel's Tuesday night concert, conducted by George Singer, opened with Mozart's Symphony No. 25 in G Minor (K. 183). The performance was lacking in clearness.

Frank Peleg was soloist in Stanojlo Rajicic's Piano Concerto No. 3. The Yugoslav composer's work is rich in invention and lyrical beauty; reminiscent of Rachmaninoff, it also has a staccato rhythm, derived from Prokofieff. It is full of colour and vitality, all in all creating a favourable impression. Mr. Peleg gave a virtuoso performance; the orchestra's intricate part was well read.

Rolf Liebermann's Suite on Swiss Folksongs was pleasing. We already know this young and extremely gifted composer from his bold but inspired First Symphony. The bill closed with Dvorak's lovely Scherzo Capriccioso.

During the interval of this weekly concert, Ephraim Dizahav regularly gives an introductionary talk on one of the composers. If there are two composers little known in this country such as Ravicic and Liebermann on the programme, it seem pointless to give a biographical sketch of Dvorak, who is popular both at home and abroad.

Hayman and Avdori

On Monday night the premiere of Hanan Avdori's Concerto for Violin and String Orchestra was broadcast by the Kol Israel String Orchestra, conducted by Georg Singer. This concerto starts out as a Concerto Grosso with some good sounds like a rapsody. It is conventional in harmonies, and the composer is somewhat influenced by Bloch. Peggy Hayman as soloist gave a devoted and lively interpretation. We were less impressed by the orchestra's reading of exerpts from Dvorak's Serenade in E major for Strings. The orchestra's string section has for years needed a "blood transfusion": time and again we were promised that the orchestra would be augmanted, but have seen no results.

The same evening Kol Israel presented Avigdor Reis and Karel Berent at two pianos. There was fine team work by the two musicians in performances of Schubert's Theme and Variations (op. 35) and Brahms' Variations on a Theme by Schumann. *FRANGO*

In Tel Aviv

At his concert at the Tel Aviv Museum on Tuesday, Walter Hautzig (piano), gave a thoughtful reading of Schumann's rarely played opus No. 6, the "Davidsbuendler Dances," an enlightening kaleidoscope of youthful genius. The player's searching qualities were more suited to the melancholy, song-like or even pathetic parts of the work than to the gayer manifestations of Schumann's fancy, but the whole was executed with much spiritual and manual sensitivity. No less satisfying was the artist's performance of a Prelude and fugue by Bach (C Sharp minor) and of two pieces by Granados. Unfortunately, we missed Chopin's B minor Sonata.

The same evening, the "Collegium Musicum" presented music by old French and English masters at its third subscription concert at the Bet Hamoreh Hall. The programme included a Sonata for flute and piano by Loeillet, Terzets by Rameau, Grétry, Este and Shield, and a repetition of the concertante performance of "Dido and Aeneas" by Purcell. One of Tel Aviv's most indefatigable musicians, Eytan Lüstig conducted, and the participants were Lotte Laufer, Jona Blank, Esther Shkolnik (soprano), Miriam Buday and Alisa Lustig (alto), Pinhas Hollander (tenor), Uri Toeplitz (flute), and a string quartet of Messrs. Markowetzki, Segall, Steinberg and Warschauer. Eldad Neumark worked at the continuo, and Jehoshua Sohar was the announcer. *MO.*

In Haifa

The Haifa composer Mr. Mosche Bick was the initiator of a "Vocal Newspaper" last week at the Workers' Hut. Sponsored by the united Choirs of Haifa and Kuriat Haim and their tutor and conductor Mr Bick the "Newspaper" was completely dedicated to Mozart. The genius lige and work were read to the audience by three members of the Haifa Dramatic Studio, Miss Edy Charlaf, Mr. David Tednir and Mr. Ephraim Aronson; Mr. Bick wrote the text, Mrs. Lucy Aronson, (Soprano) one of the prize-winners at the Mozart Competition in Tel Aviv, 16-year-old soprano Shoshana Ankori and the baritone Mr. Jytzhak Katz, (baritone) sang arias and duets from Mozart's "Marriage of Figaro" and "Don Juan," well accompanied by Mrs. Beba Bick. *G. W.-B.*

Abroad

Igor Oistrach, son of the leading Soviet violinist David Oistrach, was the winner in the second Wieniawski competition for young violinists, held in Poznan (Poland). Mrs. Edward MacDowell has given the scores of some representative works of her husband to the Serge Koussevitzky collection of orchestral and chamber music at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

Readers' Letters

OFF-HAND CRITICISM

TO The Editor of The POST

Sir, — May we express our surprise at the article in your issue of February 6 in which your art critic refers to the work of certain veteran Haifa artists, among them Mr. Mordechai Avniel and Mrs. Erna Friedlander, now on exhibition in Jerusalem.

It may interest your readers that in the very same issue your paper reports that the Boston Public Library has selected the work of Mordechai Avniel for an exhibition — the first Israeli one man art-show in that gallery, and that Mrs. Friedlander is an artist of long standing who was well-known in Germany and the Far East and has exhibited in the Leicester Galleries in London.

While a critic is entitled to his own opinions, it is obvious that the work of well established artists, such as Mrs. Friedlander and Mr. Avniel, cannot be referred to in such an offhand manner.

Yours etc.,
DAVID WITTMAN
IRENE BAUM
NAHUM KOOK
REUBEN HECHT

Haifa, February 18.

Critic's Reply

Th. F.M. writes —

My criticism in both cases was based on the two or three pieces Mrs. Friedlander and Mr. Avniel had contributed to the exhibition. It is quite possible that a collective exhibition would lead one to a different opinion about the work of Mr. Avniel or Mrs. Friedlander. However, a critic can only review what he sees, and experience has taught me that artists are often incapable of selecting works of their own for a large exhibition.

PEN PAL WANTED

Sir,—I am a nine-an-a-half-year-old boy and am interested in Israel and its language. I study Hebrew in Hebrew school and the history of Israel in Sunday school.

HARVEY COHEN
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Men and Things

"INTERNATIONAL relations" we sometimes feel, is only a polite name for quarrels — organized, dreary, and disgraceful. Yet every now and again the clouds are pierced by a warm ray, and there is a vision of the world transfigured. In that world every man has become aware of the needs of others whose homes are distant, —and this simple awareness banishes nine-tenths of the dangers clustering around his and their heads. Man joining with man in the struggle with nature, and because of intelligence he is bound to win; whereas in the international struggle he can only multiply human victims. All of which is as easy to see as rare to act upon.

The sandbag airlift last month was in that primitive mood which meets a threat to the human race. In order to prevent the sea from overwhelming homesteads it was necessary to repair a soil barrier. There were plenty of sandbags for this, but they were stocked all over Europe. The airforces of the nations were mobilized; sandbags arrived through the darkening skies only less numerous than the snowflakes. That power which not so long ago burst the dams of Moehne and Eder now served to repair dams elsewhere and people ruined by floods lifted their eyes higher than the hills, even to the air above, for salvation. Cold was gnawing the bones of toiling platoons, but they were cheered because unseen hands workd for them and that from afar there were many to wish them well. *W.L.R.*

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